

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1175

Introduced by Assembly Member Tran

February 22, 2005

An act to add Section 14028 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to Medi-Cal.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1175, as introduced, Tran. Pharmaceutical providers: appeals procedure.

Existing law establishes the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Services, which provides qualified low-income persons with health care services, including prescription drugs.

Existing law contains provisions relating to the right of a Medi-Cal provider to appeal a decision of the department.

This bill would provide that the department shall expeditiously maintain oversight over any appeal made by a pharmaceutical Medi-Cal provider with respect to contract disputes and appeals resolution procedures regarding issues arising from a contract between a provider and the department or a fiscal intermediary for the provision of pharmaceutical services under the Medi-Cal program.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 14028 is added to the Welfare and
- 2 Institutions Code, to read:

1 14028. The department shall expeditiously maintain oversight
2 over any appeal made by a pharmaceutical Medi-Cal provider
3 with respect to contract disputes and appeals resolution
4 procedures regarding issues arising from a contract between a
5 provider and the department or a fiscal intermediary for the
6 provision of pharmaceutical services under this chapter.

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